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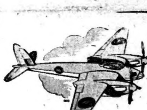

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PREFERS TO GO TO PRISON

RAILWAY HOME GUARDS IN COURT

A railway Home Guard, summoned at Ramsgate police court on Friday for failing to attend parades, declared that he had no intention of paying the fine imposed on him and that he would go to prison.

Defendant was Albert Henry Saunders, of Holbrook-drive, Ramsgate, and he pleaded not guilty to failing to attend parades without reasonable excuse on 17th February and 10th March.

Saunders was fined 10s. on each summons, with an alternative of seven days imprisonment on each, and was ordered to pay £1 1s. advocate's fee.

Similar penalties were imposed on John Charles Edwards, of Crescent-road, and Ambrose Bertram Hoare, of Holbrook-drive, who were summoned for similar offences.

Dealing with the case against Saunders, Mr. E. R. G. Weale, who prosecuted, said defendant was a member of the Ramsgate railway platoon of the Home Guard, joining the Local Defence Volunteers in August, 1940. He had attended no parades since November last year. Defendant was served with a notice to attend a number of parades, including those to be held on 17th February and 10th March, but failed to do so. He was sent a registered letter asking him why he had not attended but no reply was received. Defendant was a fireman.

Evidence in support of Mr. Weale's statement was given by Capt. Jack Charles Hamblin, platoon officer.

Could Do Both.

Witness said he was formerly a fireman on the railway and he found he was quite well able to carry out Home Guard duties in addition to his work as a fireman. He received no reply to the letter he sent to defendant.

Saunders said he wrote to Capt. Hamblin stating his reasons for not attending parades but did not register the letter. His duties on the railway were physically as much as he wanted to do in view of the present conditions of rationing, etc. He could not do both jobs and he was quite willing to go into the Army if the railway would release him. He had served on the railway for 25 years and during the previous five weeks had had only one Sunday off.

The Chairman (Capt. H. E. Rock) said as the case was the first of its kind to come before the court defendant would be fined 10s. on each summons.

Defendant: Is there an alternative if I don't pay?

The Chairman: You will go to prison.

Defendant: I will go to prison. I have no intention of paying any fine. It is not because I can't pay, but a matter of principle.

The Chairman said the alternative to the fine would be seven days on each summons.

"Playing Tin Soldiers."

In the case of Edwards, Mr. Weale said he joined the L.D.Vs in 1940 and had attended no parades since November.

Defendant said he was 51 years of age and was an old soldier of the last war.

"Do you think it is right for me to rush about doing Home Guard work?" asked defendant. "I don't want to go and play tin soldiers. That is what the Home Guard is. I am digging for victory and I am saving for victory."

The Chairman: Have you taken any steps to get out of the Home Guard?

Defendant: I volunteered with the L.D.Vs for the sole purpose of protecting vital points on the railway.

Defendant said he was a goods guard.

Asked if he would pay his fine that morning, defendant replied "I will pay it now before I pay my income tax. I pay 22s. a week income tax as a single man."

Hoare said that a month before one of the dates in respect of which he was summoned he met with an accident and was laid up for three weeks.

Mr. Weale said defendant's excuse would have been considered by the officer of his platoon but he made no excuse whatever when given an opportunity to do so.

Defendant was given a fortnight in which to pay the fine and costs.

BOMB IN FIELD

Some of the windows in a building, formerly a school, were shattered when a single bomb from an enemy raider fell in a field at a south-east coast town in the early hours of Sunday morning.

Only very slight damage was caused and there were no casualties.

During the night anti-aircraft guns opened fire on an enemy plane.

BOY SAILOR LOST

Only 17½ years old, O/S Edward Riley, son of Mrs. Riley, late of Milton-avenue, Margate, and now living at Mansfield, has lost his life at sea while serving in the Merchant Navy.

He joined the service when 15 and made several voyages before transferring to another ship which was lost with all hands.

ROMANTIC LIFE

DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM FORD WELLS

By the passing, last week, of Mr. William Ford Wells, Broadstairs has lost one of its best-known characters.

All who frequented Pierremont Hall and its adjoining pleasure gardens knew him—that gentlemanly figure in a smart uniform who spent the last six years of his life as special constable to Broadstairs Council.

Mr. Wells passed away at his home, 3 King Edward-avenue, on Thursday, at the age of 75 years.

Comparatively speaking he had not spent a long time in the town but in those six years a quiet, unassuming nature that hid a romantic life, endeared him to the residents. He was popular, too, with the visitors and those who knew him well learnt many stories from a well travelled man, for Mr. Wells loved to speak of his journeys in sailing ships to various parts of the world. He inherited his liking for the sea from his father, who was a master mariner.

Spirit of Enterprise.

A native of Scotland, Mr. Wells showed a great spirit of enterprise in his younger days and his uncle, Mr. William Ford, an Edinburgh glass manufacturer, who died in 1890, had reason to be thankful that he appointed him manager of the Aberdeen branch of his firm.

An article which appeared in a prominent journal about that time gives an insight into Mr. Wells' capabilities as a young man. "This energetic and enterprising gentleman," it says, "has made the business boom since he took it under his management. Royal patronage may be said to have become a perquisite of the firm. It was only on the last occasion of her breakfasting at Aberdeen station that the Queen was so charmed with the artistic skill shown by the firm in laying out the tables that she gave instructions for the purchase of the glass. One of the prettiest sights to be seen at the Crathie bazaar was the magnificent display of china and glass ware for which the firm are so justly celebrated. The stall, which was presided over by Mr. Wells himself, was largely and liberally patronised by many distinguished visitors. Mr. Wells is the right man in the right place."

Queen's Breakfast Table.

At the breakfast to Queen Victoria referred to in the article there were no fewer than 1,800 pieces of crystal, china, etc., on the tables.

Towards the end of the last century Mr. Wells suffered a breakdown in health and was ordered by his medical advisers to take a long sea voyage. He sailed in the s.s. Australasian and visited Sydney, Melbourne, Newcastle (New South Wales), Albany, Natal, Cape Town and Teneriffe, returning to Scotland fully recovered in 1897.

In his position Mr. Wells gained an enviable reputation among Scottish businessmen and in 1899 he became president of the Association of Her Majesty's Tradesmen in Aberdeen.

Later in life he forsook his career in the glass trade to enter a very different profession and until his retirement, when he came to Broadstairs, he was in business in London as an electro-therapeutist.

Mr. Wells had a terrifying experience in 1891 when the house in which he was living in Aberdeen was partially wrecked by a violent gas explosion. The housekeeper, noticing a strong smell of gas, opened the door of the sitting-room and struck a match. Immediately there was a loud explosion and the whole house underwent a shock. The roof was raised and the windows of several rooms were completely blown out. Mr. Wells, who was getting out of bed at the time, was badly injured in the shoulder, foot and other parts of the body, but he hurried to the sitting-room to assist the housekeeper.

Could Not Settle Down.

On coming to Broadstairs Mr. Wells found that he could not settle down to a life of ease after such an active career and for this reason he obtained his appointment as special constable at Pierremont Hall.

He was pre-deceased by his wife about six years ago.

When the funeral took place at St. Peter's on Saturday the committal service was conducted by the Rector of Broadstairs (the Rev. C. H. Bailey).

The chief mourners were Mrs. Fleet (adopted daughter) and Mrs. Gotham and those present also included Councillor H. Bing, Mr. W. F. Nicholson (Deputy Surveyor of Broadstairs), Mr. W. Bishop, Mr. G. Chatwin and Mr. Woodron.

Floral tributes were received from: Ada and Napier (Bristol); Edith; Misses F. and R. Steele; Mr. W. Bishop; Mr. D. H. Anteric; Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Dale; Alec M. Dale and D. S. Sandeman; Mr. and Mrs. Gotham; Arthur and Phyllis (Bristol); Misses Culver.

POLICE OFFICER INJURED

A fractured left leg and cuts on the head were sustained by P/C Thomas Luckhurst, of the Margate Division, K.C.C., when he was involved in a collision with an Army vehicle while riding a motor cycle to Ramsgate on Tuesday.

The accident occurred at Haine cross roads.

The police officer was taken to Margate General Hospital and later to Orpington.

HER HUSBAND WAS KILLED

W.A.A.F. MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES

A year after her husband, Mr. Jack Jackson, of George Vth-avenue, Margate, was killed during a raid on the R.A.F. station at Manston, Mrs. Norah Jackson joined the Women's Auxiliary Air Force.

Mrs. Jackson—Ldg. Acwm. Jackson—has now been mentioned in despatches for devotion to duty while serving as a cook in the W.A.A.F.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Woodward, of 8 Oxford-street, Margate, Mrs. Jackson is 45 years of age. During the last war she served in the Air Force as a rigger and became a lance-corporal, being stationed at Westgate. She was born in Margate and attended St. John's School. She married Mr. Jackson about 19 years ago and she has one son, who is a member of Margate Sea Cadet Corps.

Mr. Jackson also served in the Air Force during the last war and on his death was Thanet secretary to the Comrades of the Royal Air Force Association, to which he had belonged since its formation eight years ago. He had lived in Margate many years and before taking a civil appointment under the Air Ministry was manager of the Albert Garage, Westbrook.

Mrs. Jackson has two brothers serving in the Forces. One, Ldg. Acm. Henry Woodward, R.A.F., has been in the Middle East for over a year after joining up over two years ago. Thirty-four years of age, he was formerly employed by a Margate firm of photographers and is continuing with photographic work in the R.A.F.

The other brother is Pte. Harold Woodward, aged 35, who has been in the Army for three months.

SWIMMER WEDS

BARFORD—BONNING

Miss Violet Bernice Bonning, well known in Ramsgate for several years as a swimming instructress and now principal of Walton School for Girls, Aylesbury was married at Holy Trinity Church, Aylesbury, on Saturday.

She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Bonning, of Fairholme, Albion-road, Ramsgate, and her bridegroom is Capt. Lancelot Ingrey Barford, Beds and Herts Regiment, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Barford, of Bedford.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a powder-blue ensemble and carried a spray of roses. She had three attendants—Miss M. F. Andrews (friend), Miss Sheila Barford and Miss Jill Barford (nieces of the bridegroom). Miss Andrews wore a navy blue ensemble and the two small bridesmaids dresses of cherry red. All carried bouquets of cornflowers.

The Rev. Brian Hession conducted the service and Lt. J. B. Coe was best man. The choir was composed of 30 girls from the bride's school, Miss M. Nunn was organist and the hymns "O perfect love" and "Love divine" were sung.

The bells of the church rang out as the wedding party left for the reception at the Bull's Head Hotel, Aylesbury. Later Capt. and Mrs. Barford left for their honeymoon, the bride travelling in a brown Harris tweed suit.

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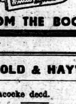

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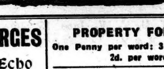

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LOST

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RABBITS

BELGIAN Hares; winning adults for sale.—Harris, 50 Percy-road, Ramsgate. 30

MRS. IRENE TUFFILL

DEATH OF AMATEUR ACTRESS

Mrs. Irene Gertrude Baber Tuffill, formerly of Kempstowe, Park-avenue, Broadstairs, who died at St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, will be remembered locally as a talented amateur actress.

In the late 1920s she appeared at Broadstairs Playhouse with the Bradstow Players and took important parts in such productions as "Dandy Dick" and "Outward Bound." Later she appeared with the Island Players in "Joseph of Arimathea," "England's Eastern Gate" and other plays. She was a regular worshipper at Broadstairs Parish Church.

Mrs. Tuffill, who left Broadstairs in 1940 to live in Gloucestershire, was the widow of Capt. Daniel William Tuffill, a native of Rochester, who was a member of the Vintners' Company. He passed away about ten years ago.

The three sons, Major W. E. F. Tuffill, Royal West Kents, Lt. (E.) H. C. Tuffill, R.N.V.R., and Sgt. C. C. Tuffill, are all serving abroad.

The interment in the family grave at Rochester on Friday was preceded by a service at St. Mary's Church, Bromley.

Fought in France and Africa

KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Gnr. Harold George Osborne, R.A., of 33 Nixon-avenue, Ramsgate, left his job as a butcher's roundsman at the start of the war to serve his country.

He fought in France and emerged safely from the horrors of Dunkirk. Then he was sent to North Africa and went through the epic campaign to its conclusion.

This week Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Osborne, his parents, have re-

ceived the tragic news that Harold has met his death—in an accident. He died as a result of multiple injuries.

Harold, who was 24 and an old boy of Ellington School, was the youngest of three brothers. Arthur, aged 29, a driver-mechanic in the Royal Artillery, is in North Africa after moving up with the Eighth Army, and Herbert is working on trawlers.

The family are well-known in local fishing circles and the father was engaged for 20 years on Ramsgate trawlers.

Stolen Bullets

RAMSGATE BOY'S ADMISSION

After hearing good reports of his character from his headmaster and the Probation Officer (Mr. A. E. Bray), the magistrates at Ramsgate juvenile court on Tuesday adjourned for three months the case against a 14-year-old schoolboy summoned for stealing 327 rounds of ammunition from a soldiers' billet.

The lad pleaded guilty and the facts were outlined to the bench by C/I Butcher.

On 4th May, he said, W/R Bracey was on duty in Margate-road when he saw a cycle standing outside No. 129, an empty house. The rear door was insecure and, going upstairs, the officer found defendant sorting over a box of ·303 ammunition. He declared that he did not know where the ammunition came from but said he saw three boys in the house and chased them out.

The boy gave W/R Bracey a false name and address but the officer again saw him in Margate-road on 7th May and he then denied that he was the lad who was found in the house. The matter was reported to P/S Jenner and he and W/R Bracey again saw the defendant, who later admitted he was the boy found at the house, although he still persisted that the ammunition was left there by the children he had chased.

On 9th May, however, the boy made a statement in which he said he frequented a soldiers' billet. One evening a soldier showed him how to take a bullet to pieces and in a room he saw a box of ammunition. He put this in a sack and left it at 129 Margate-road. As he was kept indoors for a fortnight he could not go to the house for a time but when he did visit the premises again he was caught by the policeman. He told lies about his name and address because he did not want to get himself or his parents into trouble.

The lad's headmaster said the boy behaved himself and was doing well at school, while Mr. Bray, who has supervised defendant for some time, stated that he had a good home and respectable parents who had gone out of their way to take an interest in him.

Announcing that the case would be adjourned for three months for a further report on his behaviour during that period, the Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) told the boy he had largely to thank his headmaster and the Probation Officer for the chance he was getting. "We look on this offence seriously," he said, "and more so because you told a lie."

WINGS FOR VICTORY

SAVINGS CERTIFICATES AND WATER COLOURS

The arrangements for Broadstairs and St. Peter's Wings for Victory Week, commencing on 26th June, include a novel type of selling centre which is being organised by the Brighter Broadstairs League. The league, which is one of the many local organisations co-operating with the Savings Committee in connection with Wings for Victory Week, is fortunate in having among its members Mr. L. Andrewes Brown, of 66 Lindenthorpe-road, Broadstairs, a water colour artist. Over 50 water colours, most of which are seascapes of Devon and Cornwall, have been painted by Mr. Andrewes Brown and given by him for disposal in aid of the local Wings for Victory Week.

These water colours will be on sale throughout the week at 136 High-street, Broadstairs, generously lent for the purpose by Councillor B. J. Pearson. Anyone who desires to acquire one of these paintings will be required to purchase a number of savings certificates at the selling centre and also to make a contribution towards the cost of organising the local Wings for Victory Week. The number of certificates and the amount of the contribution have been fixed in accordance with the value which Mr. Andrewes Brown places on each painting. It is hoped that this venture, which will enable purchasers of savings certificates to obtain a water colour in addition to savings certificates, will have the support which it deserves.

In addition to this special selling centre, centres of the usual type will be operating throughout the week at the W.V.S. Centre, 130 High-street, Broadstairs; exhibition at the Pavilion, Garden-on-the-Sands; Lane's Library, 45 High-street, Broadstairs; Mr. E. J. Warren, 30 and 32 High-street, St. Peter's; and Mr. J. A. Walker, 19 Albion-street, St. Peter's.

OVERCOMING PREJUDICES

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM PROPOSALS

The many difficulties which will have to be faced and prejudices overcome when reorganisation of local government is attempted after the war is indicated by the statement made by Alderman G. P. Hoare at last week's meeting of Margate Town Council that the proposal to amalgamate the Thanet towns was an "attempt to thwart the county councils and prevent them achieving what they thought was good government for the country."

The main consideration, of course, must be not what this or that association thinks is the best form of government, but what is in the best interests of the people living in the areas concerned.

Local government reform is receiving the attention of a committee presided over by Sir William Jowitt, K.C., M.P., and has received deputations from various associations representing different classes of local authorities.

The following are extracts from the reports of the various Local Government Associations:

The Association of Municipal Corporations.

The report of the Association of Municipal Corporations emphasises that any scheme of reorganisation must preserve the essentials of local government. All forms of local government authority must continue to be democratic in constitution and in operation and the elected representatives must retain effective control over the services for the provision and administration of which they are made responsible by Parliament.

The association regard it as important that any local authorities of whatever kind should have direct access to the central departments of government without the intervention of regional or subsidiary governmental bodies. Much of the progress in existing social and local services in the country has been derived from local initiative and experiment—the benefits of which have been subsequently incorporated into the general legislation—and the association regard it as of vital importance that this local initiative, which is the very foundation of local government, should be maintained unimpaired. A system of regional administration, especially if not directly responsible to elected representation, interposed between local authorities and the central authority, would not only detract from local responsibility and initiative and tend to lower the status of local authorities, but is, in the view of the association, calculated to give rise to undesirable delays in execution of policy and result in an appreciable addition to the cost of government, without any gain in the efficiency of local government services.

The association have considered the principles which should be followed in re-arranging the areas and functions of local authorities and think that it should be a matter of principle that each reconstituted area is such as to ensure—

(a) the efficient administration of local government services for the well-being of the people;

(b) that it is a unit economical and suitable for the administration of the public services allotted to it, be those services large scale, or small scale;

(c) the specialisation of institutions where this would be advantageous as, for instance, in the case of hospitals, higher education establishments, etc.;

(d) that the financial resources of the area are adequate to meet the reasonable expenditure of the authority without causing an undue financial burden upon the ratepayers while, at the same time, ensuring administrative and technical staffs of the calibre required by the services;

(e) that the services of suitable elected representatives from all sections of the community are attracted and that there is a convenient and accessible administrative centre.

The association take the view that the most satisfactory form of local government in any area is that of a single authority invested with complete powers of local government, and that any reorganisation of local government should be directed to achieving the object of setting up as extensively as possible throughout the country, the type of authority referred to—which for convenience might be called a single all-purposes authority—and this recommendation is made without reference to any particular local government authority, and what area would qualify as a single all-purposes authority is a matter for further consideration in the application of this principle.

The association recommend as a general principle that the area of such authority should comprise both urban and rural lands containing a well-balanced grouping of all classes in the social scale and in which there is a reasonable spread of industry, commerce, residence and agriculture and which might reasonably be expected to attract men of experience and character both as members of the local authority and as officers and otherwise conform with the principles set out above.

The County Councils Association.

This association's report accepts the view that there are at present too many local authorities.

The association's comment upon the suggested "single all-purposes authority" proposed by the Association of Municipal Corporations is "This would appear to involve the disappearance of both counties and county districts and the governance of the country by a series of enlarged county boroughs, but the association do not consider there to be any case for so vast an upheaval of the present system."

After making certain qualifications with regard to public utility undertakings, education and public health, the report states "It may be feasible and appropriate in densely populated and compact areas for all services, large and small, to be kept in the same hands, although even here it may be doubted whether the elected representatives as distinct from the officials can exercise a reasonable measure of control and supervision over so extensive a range of subjects. The association believe, however, that in scattered areas the more localised services can best be left with the small authorities as hereafter proposed to be reorganised. It is admitted that there is a case for greater uniformity of benefit as between urban and rural areas than has hitherto prevailed, but the association are of the opinion that this can be effected by methods which have less flavour of regionalisation and are less likely to result in urban domination and the disappearance of local interest."

Population.

Suggestions in the report with regard to population are as follows:

Counties.

The report states that prima facie a population of less than 100,000 or thereabouts is unlikely to be sufficient to justify its existence as a county council and it is recommended that in such cases an examination should be made by means of an appropriate local inquiry of the ability of such counties to discharge their functions economically and efficiently.

(A minimum population of 100,000 for county councils would lead to the disappearance of seven English counties.)

County Boroughs.

The report states that nothing substantially less than 75,000 can be regarded by the association as sufficient for the retention of the status of county borough. Here again it is recommended that a local inquiry on the lines advocated in the case of county councils should be undertaken.

With regard to new county boroughs it is suggested that the minimum population should be 125,000.

It is also suggested that there should be a moratorium of 15 years from the date of the passing of the Bill during which period no new county borough should be created.

(A minimum population of 75,000 would lead to the disappearance of 23 county boroughs.)

Non-County Boroughs, Urban Districts and Rural Districts.

The report suggests that all non-county boroughs and urban district councils with populations not exceeding 10,000 subject to the reservations mentioned below and all rural district councils should cease to be known as such and should be the subject of suitable re-groupings and amalgamation by the county councils. Continuing boroughs to retain their present titles and charters but continuing urban districts to be given the general title of county districts. It is suggested, however, that county councils should be given the power, subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health, to exempt non-county boroughs and urban districts with populations of less than 10,000 from merger in exceptional cases.

(A minimum population of 10,000 would lead to the disappearance of 86 boroughs and 284 urban districts.)

Boroughs with Ancient Charters.

The report suggests that in cases where small non-county boroughs possess ancient charters the retention of such privileges and of the title of boroughs should be permitted **otherwise than for local government purposes.**

Functions of Non-County Boroughs, etc.

The report contains suggestions that all Part III authorities should be abolished, county councils and county boroughs only to be education authorities, and only non-county boroughs with populations of 75,000 to be police authorities. It further suggests that the future attainment of a population of 75,000 should not qualify for police powers except with the consent of the Home Office.

Non-County Boroughs Association.

The report of this association contains the following comment on the proposals of the Association of Municipal Corporations:

We do not think that anyone would take exception to these principles, but it is obvious that their broad and practical application probably would affect profoundly the status and existence as corporate bodies of some of the boroughs that are members of the association.

We cannot sufficiently emphasise that we see no necessity for altering the existing structure of local government at the present time. Our system has grown up with the nation. It has been improved from time to time and will no doubt require improvement in the future, and if alterations must be made they should be carefully thought out by experienced people; such people have not in present war conditions the time to devote to the subject. Moreover, the Royal Commission devoted some years to formulating suggestions which have been partly implemented by the Local Government Acts of 1929 and 1933. We therefore point out that as the machine does work the consideration of improvements might well be allowed to stand over until the war ceases to be the paramount influence on our daily lives.

We think the tendency to create units of excessive size destroys the interest of the individual inhabitant and in some cases in the wards of our big towns the ordinary burgess has very small scope and not infrequently is without knowledge of the person who directly represents him and has lost all interest in the government of the town as the centre is too far away. The communal feeling that has played so great a part in local administration is in danger of being destroyed.

This report would be very lengthy if we elaborated our recommendations and as the representatives of the members of the association are people of experience it will be sufficient if we suggest briefly with regard to the matters coming within the category of local government reorganisation—

(i) That the association should make strong representations to the Government that the matters referred to in this category ought not to be dealt with until the termination of the present emergency when a Royal Commission should be appointed to advise and report thereon.

(ii) That the law and practice of rating should be carefully examined and in particular that precepting methods and the grant in aid system should be investigated with a view to securing a more equitable distribution of the cost of local government.

(iii) That the suggestion to take elementary education out of the hands of Part III authorities should be resisted and that the advisability of placing in the hands of those authorities the administration of higher education should be explored.

The Urban District Councils Association.

This association has passed the following resolutions:

1. That the Executive Council do make representations to His Majesty's Government that they should formulate no proposals for the reorganisation of local government until the whole question has been fully considered by an authoritative and independent body (such as a Royal Commission) which body should not only receive and consider representations from all bodies and persons interested but should take account of systems of local government in other democratic countries and should also hold sittings and inquiries in the provinces as well as in London.

2. That the following suggestions be referred to the Executive Council for consideration:

(a) That there is need for some redistribution of the functions of local government.

(b) That the need is certainly not so pressing as to justify its consideration during the war, and that with regard to the immediate post-war problems the existing local government machinery will function more smoothly than an entirely new system.

(c) That the present wide discussion initiated, if not intended, by Government action makes it imperative for this association to express its views.

(d) Those views briefly embrace the following points:

(i) No case has yet been made out justifying in the slightest degree the proposals of the County Councils Association and the Association of Municipal Corporations which if carried into effect would abrogate local government by urban district councils.

(ii) Reorganisation of the financial resources of local authorities is a fundamental of equitable administration of local services.

(iii) That existing authorities are best fitted to carry out housing programmes after the war, and that necessary amendments be made to the Housing Acts in order to assist and accelerate the efforts of such authorities to that end.

(iv) That the elected representatives of the people must have full control of administration and of local policy, but there is need for a redistribution of functions between the various elected bodies so as to avoid present overlapping and to give direct control in the area of operation, wherever possible in place of county council administration which is so far removed by knowledge of local needs.

(v) That improvement of local government is not necessarily achieved by large units, but is best left to the wishes of local inhabitants with due regard to the particular local circumstances, geographically and otherwise.

(vi) That regional government as at present known is foreign to English history and custom, and would inevitably lead to the replacement of democratic government by bureaucratic control and that its introduction under war-time conditions is no criterion of its future usefulness. The proposals of the County Councils Association and the Association of Municipal Corporations would entirely nullify the principles of democratic self-government.

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Ramsgate Divorce

DAMAGES AGAINST SCHOOLMASTER

In the Divorce Court on Wednesday, before Mr. Justice Collins, Eric William Parkins, who is in the Navy, with a home address in Southwood-road, Ramsgate, petitioned for a decree nisi against his wife, Joanne Marie Godfrey Parkins, on the ground of her adultery with the co-respondent, Cyril Maurice McVay, described as a schoolmaster, against whom damages were claimed.

The suit was undefended.

The marriage was in April, 1939, and the parties lived at St. John's-road, Gillingham. In March, 1940, petitioner went to Gibraltar and the Mediterranean, returning in November, 1942. His case was that for nearly 12 months there was a gap in his wife's letters to him and on his return he received a letter in which she mentioned about adopting a little boy. His suspicions were aroused and as the result of subsequent enquiries he now alleged her adultery with the co-respondent at the address in St. John's-road, Gillingham.

His lordship, after hearing evidence, granted a decree nisi with costs, and awarded petitioner £50 damages against the co-respondent.

KEYNOTE IS ACTION

SILVER FLEET AT ODEON

Action is the keynote of the double-feature programme being presented at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, to-day and to-morrow.

Set in the period immediately following the American civil war, "My Son Alone," which stars Richard Dix, Leo Carrillo and Preston Foster, is both a struggle of personality and a conflict of patriotism. While the development has plenty of hectic action, especially as to its massed horse-riding and sustained gun-play, it is on its violent spectacle that it becomes outstanding. A massed battle between ranchers and bandits turns a peaceful valley into a sea of flames. The second feature is "Secret Agent of Japan," which tells the inside story of the undercover activities of Japanese agents just before the attack on Pearl Harbour. Featuring Preston Foster and Lynn Bari, it has Shanghai for its locale and goes from one hair-raising episode to another.

A newspaper cutting which described the dramatic story of how a U-boat had been seized and brought over to England by Dutch members of a trial crew was the origin of "The Silver Fleet," which heads the bill for the latter part of the week. The film tells of a mysterious saboteur, known only by his initials on scrawled notes, who daringly destroys two Nazi U-boats and pays for it with his life. Starring roles are played by Ralph Richardson, Googie Withers and Esmond Knight. "East Side of Heaven," with Bing Crosby, Joan Blondell and Mischa Auer, will also be shown.

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25 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

THE WAR OF 1914-18

Another stirring appeal is being made this week to the women of Thanet to help to fill the gaps made by the demands of the Army. Heralded in by a gaily-decorated motor car and a number of Land Girls in their attractive uniforms, a propaganda campaign opened in Ramsgate on Wednesday. The object is to obtain recruits urgently needed to take the place of the 30,000 men that the Army is claiming from farm labour.

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Sig. Owen Spain, of 20 Rosebery-avenue, Ramsgate, is home on efficiency leave, having passed his final examination as a first-class signaller. He joined the R.G.A. in January.

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First A/M Harry Noble, of Church-street, St. Peter's, formerly a sidesman at the parish church and a well-known tradesman, was home on leave from France this week.

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C/S/M Essex, Wiltshire Regiment, of 22 Montague-road, Ramsgate, previously reported missing, has now written saying he is a prisoner of war. He was formerly on the staff of the South Eastern College.

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Capt. F. C. Bowen, of Ramsgate, has been promoted from the rank of lieutenant. After suffering a nervous breakdown in the Gallipoli campaign, he is now engaged on work at headquarters in London.

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O/S H. C. Flowerdew, of the THANET ADVERTISER, was home at Ramsgate this week. Since last on leave he has been to America and experienced a pleasant trip to and from New York. To his regret he had to spend three days anchored off New York harbour but had an excellent opportunity to admire the Statue of Liberty.

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Among the names of those honoured by the King with appointment to Membership of the Order of the British Empire appears that of Alderman William Booth Reeve, Mayor of Margate.

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King's Theatre, Ramsgate.—Eleventh exciting instalment of that grand detective serial, "Jimmy Dale," and a screamingly funny sample of the eccentricities of that curious comedian, Billy West, entitled "The Millionaire." The War Office official topical budget at all performances.

50 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

MURDER CHARGE

The inquest concerning the recent murder in Grange-road, Ramsgate, of Mrs. Sarah Dinah Noel concluded at the Town Hall this morning when the jury returned a verdict of murder "but by whom there is not conclusive evidence to show." After the crowd had left, Mr. Noel was arrested on suspicion. He was taken to the police station and charged with the murder. The officers who carried out the arrest were P/S Horne and P/C Sandom. The majority of the public had proceeded to their homes before the arrest became known but not a few waited in anticipation of the husband's apprehension. A big rush was made for the police station when it was ascertained that the arrest had been effected but the assembly soon dispersed.

GOOD MANAGEMENT

TRIBUTES TO HOSPITALS' CONTRIBUTORY SCHEME

At the beginning of the war the Thanet Hospitals' Contributory Scheme had a balance of between £200 and £300—now it is nearly £2,000.

Thanks for the good management and work of the group secretaries that has brought this result about in spite of war conditions were voiced by Mr. John Brown (secretary of Ramsgate General Hospital) when the annual meeting of the scheme was held at Augustine Villa, West Cliff-road, Ramsgate, on Tuesday.

The Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe) presided at the meeting, supported by Mr. S. W. Smith (chairman of the scheme), Mr. W. Cooper (secretary), the Rev. Harcourt Samuel (representing Ramsgate Hospital Committee), Mr. G. Ballard and Mr. Amos Hughes.

Alderman Kempe said that since the scheme was founded, mainly through the efforts of the late Mr. W. F. Saull, it had gone on from strength to strength. Mr. Cooper had played a great part in its success and the results had proved his continued excellent work. "I doubt whether any scheme in the town can say it has held its head up so well as this one," said the Mayor, who referred to the fact that the organisation was now paying more to hospitals for treatment of members.

In presenting the annual report which, together with the statement of accounts, was summarised in our last issue, Mr. Smith recalled the work of his predecessor, Mr. W. B. Duff, and said they treasured the memory of his zeal.

It had required good management, said Mr. Smith, to pay 7s. a day for members in hospital and if that was to continue it would be necessary for new members to join the scheme. An important new benefit was that provided at hospitals controlled by county councils, the scheme supplying a voucher for ten weeks' treatment free of charge. The membership of the scheme now stood at 6,350 as against 10,000 in 1939.

The adoption of the report was seconded by Mr. Harcourt Samuel, who referred to the extra expense that hospitals now had to face with the rise in prices of all the articles they required. At the hospitals they felt indebted to the scheme for their gesture in this matter and to all the officials and to the group secretaries in particular he offered a big "thank you."

Mr. Brown said that those responsible for running the scheme were deserving of the highest credit for the fact that they had been able to increase their balance so well during war-time. It was astounding that in the past year, in what was really a depressed area, they had been able to collect a total of £3,172 0s. 4d and finish up with a balance on the year's working of over £300.

On the proposition of Dr. W. B. Loveless, seconded by Mr. Hughes, rule 3 (d) was amended to read as follows: "The rules of Ramsgate General Hospital require that members attending the out-patient department for treatment can only be seen on production of a letter from their doctor, excepting in cases of accident or other urgent emergency. A charge of 1s. is made for the first attendance at the hospital and 6d. for each subsequent attendance, which is found necessary. These amounts will be refunded to the member on production of the receipts given by the hospital."

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Mayor proposed by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Cooper.

ROUNDING UP AN ABSENTEE

EXCITING CHASE AT RAMSGATE

An exciting chase after an Army absentee in which a police officer, a woman, and a number of soldiers took part, was described at Ramsgate police court on Thursday.

Pte. Cyril Edward Solly, aged 19, of the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment, was charged with being absent without leave from his unit since 18th April.

P/C Weller said that at 11 o'clock the previous evening he was examining an unoccupied house at the Lord of the Manor and on shining his light through the sittingroom window saw defendant lying asleep on the settee. Defendant woke up, and realising that he was an absentee, witness told him to come outside.

As defendant was a long time coming out, said witness, he went to the rear of the house and asked a soldier and a woman to keep watch while he returned to the front. Witness then saw defendant standing on the bed-room widow-sill. When he called to him to come down defendant returned to the bedroom. He told him that unless he came out he would force an entry.

Continuing, witness said he got one of his aids from the back of the house to come round to the front and then forced the front door. Defendant came out and immediately ran down the Sandwich-road in the direction of Cliffs End. Defendant was gaining ground and witness shouted to him that unless he stopped he would throw his truncheon. Witness threw his truncheon but missed.

At that moment a cyclist was coming up the road and witness shouted to him to try and stop defendant. Defendant dodged so witness grabbed the cycle and began to gain on him. Defendant then went over the bank and into a cornfield. Witness again went after defendant and after half a mile lost sight of him.

Witness said he kept blowing his whistle and the woman who had kept watch at the house then came up with his cycle and offered to do anything she could to help. He asked her to try to get the assistance of some soldiers and also to phone the police. This she did. Three soldiers came along and witness placed a cordon round the field. Witness then heard a rustle and found defendant lying in the corn. He arrested him and he was taken to the police station in a car.

Defendant was remanded to await the arrival of a military escort.

Absorb the County Council

MARGATE ALDERMAN'S SUGGESTION

A suggestion that the boundaries of local authorities in Kent should be extended so that a county council would no longer be required was made by Alderman A. G. Hine when reference to the possible amalgamation of the Thanet towns was made at a meeting of Margate Town Council on Tuesday.

Alderman Hine said he had consistently called attention to the financial position of the borough brought about by the big demands of the County Council, over which they had no control, and had urged that some action should be taken in regard to that.

Extension of Boundaries.

Extension of boundaries offered an opportunity of alleviating that position, for if all local authorities extended their boundaries in such a way as to cover the whole of the county, a county council would no longer be required, and the huge county calls on the towns would eventually cease.

In regard to the scheme for an amalgamated Thanet, however, he thought the area was much too large. It would create a miniature county council and would not tend to efficient administration. It would also place a heavier strain on the authority which was most highly assessed. That authority would be taking in an area which they were bound to develop, but the rateable value of that area would not begin to cover the cost. Therefore, the authority most highly assessed would have to pay the piper. They were told that the scheme was not for the benefit of Margate, but for the benefit of all concerned. It appeared, therefore, that Margate was to be a municipal charity.

Saying he could not support the scheme, Alderman Hine said "I cannot see how we are going to be in any better position. We shall be a great deal worse off as a result of the proposed amalgamation."

Thwarting County Councils.

Alderman G. P. Hoare pointed out that all they were asked to decide at the moment was whether amalgamation was desirable. They were not concerned at present with the aspects raised by Alderman Hine. The Town Clerk (Mr. P. T. Grove) had explained at the Council in committee that it was no use the officials and representatives of the Thanet councils discussing the pros and cons of amalgamation if the local authorities were not sympathetic to the idea. If they were sympathetic then their representatives would investigate the possibilities. They would not have the last word as to the area to be involved, but they were making an attempt to thwart the county councils and prevent them achieving what they thought was good government for the country.

Councillor W. R. Curtis said they had been told in no uncertain terms by an official that no doubt in the future there would be a great reorganisation of the areas of local government. During the war they had seen their educational system and police system interfered with without them being consulted, which he considered was an interference with the liberty and democracy of the country. He was concerned lest the same despotic and autocratic measures should be taken in regard to the extension of boundaries, and a regional commissioner appointed, with the result that the public would no longer have a voice in the selection of those who should represent them.

THIS WEEK'S SHORT STORY

PATSY NOLAN'S PHEASANTS

BY *Columba Connor*

There was a grand cock pheasant wandering in Patsy Nolan's barley field. Patsy saw him with his own eyes, but he didn't let on to anyone, for if the story went round there'd be danger of Danny Cullinane getting wind of it.

There was a bit of a coolness between himself and Danny Cullinane this twelve month over a pheasant. Patsy was never tired of telling about that pheasant. There had been a grand bird walking about in the Cullinanes' turnips, and Danny and himself made it up to have a shot at him as soon as ever the close season was over. They were sticklers for that sort of thing. Patsy knew that Danny kept old time by his clock, for the Cullinanes had no reason to think of trains or buses; not like Patsy, whose wife had near relatives bus-drivers and the like. The long and the short of the pheasant affair was that on the stroke of twelve on the night when the close season ended—a fine moonlight night it was, too—Patsy went off with a gun that he got the loan of, and found the bird roosting on a branch of a tree, and had him down in a second. On the way back he met old Danny with a gun that he also had got a loan of, but walking slowly, because he thought he had plenty of time. Patsy pushed the bird inside his coat, but the fine long tail feathers stuck out, and Danny and he had words.

That was a year ago.

This time he'd keep his own counsel. He had a friend, Terry Murphy, one of the keepers on the Knocknahilan estate, who'd slip him a gun all right whenever he wanted it. It was a pity his eyesight was failing a bit, for he had been a great shot in his day.

That evening he walked along the Knocknahilan road, and met Terry on his way to supper. Terry promised him the gun the following evening. There was a look in his eye that disturbed Patsy.

"Are ye wanting it so badly this evening?" he asked sharply. Terry avoided his glance.

"Maybe now I would," he said. "But to-morrow in the dusk I'll slip it to you, and good luck to you."

A decent boy Terry, no use falling out with him, and guns and cartridges were hard to come by. Terry wasn't one for asking questions, either. If Patsy said he wanted the gun for frightening away the crows, Terry didn't come asking to see the feathers the next day.

Mrs. Patsy Nolan, otherwise Biddy, was mixing food for her poultry when her husband returned. She was a hard-working, easy-going little woman, but this evening the light of battle shone in her eyes.

"Kate Cullinane would have your heart scalded!" she remarked acidly, as he entered the kitchen. "If she was here a minit, she was here two mortal hours, giving out about her old turkeys. The likes were never seen before, I'll have ye know. The fat of 'em and the size of 'em, and 'tis the feeding does it, says she, sitting down before the fire, and rolling her arms up in her apron, like a duchess, moryah!" Biddy squeezed hot potatoes between capable hands and sniffed. She placed the bucket of food for her fowls in the corner of the hearth to keep it warm "against the morning," and she scraped moist potatoes from her hands with an old spoon.

"If Saint Patrick himself were to rear turkeys," she said suddenly, "Kate Cullinane would up and tell him he wasn't feeding 'em right, and that hers would command a better price in Knocknahilan market."

This alarming statement failed to rouse Patsy. Turkeys and chickens and the like were matters for women; God help them, their intellects were small. He wandered off again towards the barley field, and as he did so a shot rang out from the direction of the Cullinanes' land. A black look came into Patsy's eye. So that little rat of a Terry Murphy was after slipping the gun to Danny, and his fine pheasant was gone, bad luck to him. It wasn't so much the loss of the bird that was troubling him, but the airs and graces which Danny's wife, Kate Cullinane, would be putting on, telling everybody the way they had the Nolan's bested this year. Anyway, what bad luck drove the pheasant from his land into Danny's?

But Patsy had his pride. He didn't mention hearing the shot, when he went home, and the next evening, when Terry came round with the gun, he thanked him kindly, and said he was after a few crows, for they were playing the devil with his corn stooks.

"There's a power of crows beyant in Cullinanes', too," agreed Terry innocently, as he took his leave.

Patsy, left alone, fingered the gun disconsolately. Crows, how are ye!—as if he'd waste even another man's cartridges over a few old crows. Why, even if he shot a round dozen of them, weren't there a few hundred more waiting in the Knocknahilan trees, ready to come to their funeral.

It had been a bright, sunny day, but the evening was changing. Soft clouds were rolling up from the south, and there was no moon waiting to take on the job the moment the sun had set.

"There's a kind of shortness coming on the days," Biddy announced, as she came in from the cowshed."

Patsy's temper was on edge. Wasn't it a queer thing now that a woman, even one's own wife, could never say a sensible thing. Anything on earth they'd say, but the thing that might be a help to you. He was about to tell her so, when her eyes fell on the gun.

"Wisha, where are ye going with that?" she screamed. "And yourself with the eyesight not so good."

Patsy told her not to be making Kate Cullinane of herself, and then he began to swagger. He told her for the first time about the pheasant, forgetting, in his wish to command her respect, all about the shot he had heard the previous night. Biddy gave him but half her attention.

"Kate Cullinane was in again to-day, that proud of herself she was."

Patsy stolled to the door. Bad luck to the fog whatever, coming down like that on him. He wandered off towards the barley field; his boast to Biddy had given him fresh hope.

He thought he heard Biddy call something after him, but he wasn't sure. Wasn't it a wonder how a woman never knew when to hold her tongue.

Suddenly he stared, his eyes nearly popping out of his head. He rubbed his eyes and looked again. His heart began to thump in his chest, and his hands trembled as he steadied the gun and took aim. He shook out the empty cartridges from the smoking gun and loaded again from the store in his pocket.

Biddy, tidying up the hearth, heard four shots ring out, and then two more.

Fancy wasting all those cartridges over one bird; but maybe poor Patsy wasn't as good a shot as he had been. Sure, as long as he didn't kill himself or any of the neighbours, she didn't care. She'd be glad if he had come by another pheasant, for she hadn't the heart to tell him that Kate Cullinane had been boasting about the grand shot Danny got last night. Anyway, what would there be to prevent two pheasants from straying? She hoped to goodness Patsy heard her calling out to be careful. . . . Then suddenly her reason seemed to leave her, for through the dull silence of the autumn evening a woman's shriek rang out, followed by another and another.

She staggered to the door, but her ears seemed stuffed with cotton wool, like the time she had the earache. There was a jumble of sounds coming from the barley field, and in her anxiety to listen, she failed to hear Patsy's stumbling footsteps coming towards her across the yard. Suddenly he stood before her, the gun hanging limply from his nerveless fingers. She fell upon him sobbing.

"Patsy agra', who is it you're after killing?" she whispered. "I'll hide ye, I won't let them get ye!"

He threshed his way past her into the kitchen, his eyes staring, his lips striving to form words.

"Kate Cullinane!" he mouthed "Up there, beyant in the field!"

For a second her heart ceased to beat, and then reason came to her, swiftly, soothingly, as it does to all women who are given amadauhns for husbands. Kate Cullinane must still be in the land of the living, judging by the jumble of shrieks and curses coming nearer and nearer to them from the direction of the barley field.

"Who was it, then?" she asked softly. "But sure, whoever it was, I'll hide ye. The police won't get ye."

He pushed her back, thrusting the gun into her hands, and stood as if poised for instant flight. Then, as if suddenly realising the futility of such an action, he crumpled into a chair.

"Police!" he laughed bitterly. Wasn't it a wonder how a woman, and she one's own wife, could never talk sense. "I've shot six of Kate Cullinane's turkeys by mistake, and she's after me with the dead bodies."

How could he know that Biddy had called to him to be careful of those same turkeys, for Kate Cullinane had reported they were straying. He hadn't troubled to listen to her; what women said never made sense.

The End

The characters in this story are entirely imaginary. No reference is intended to any living person or to any public or private company.

Council Tribute

TO AIR RAID VICTIMS

Sympathy with townspeople who had suffered in a bombing attack by enemy aircraft on a south-east coast town recently was expressed by the Mayor at a meeting of the local Council last week.

The Mayor said he would like it to be known that anyone needing assistance in any direction could obtain relief through his Air Raid Sufferers' Fund. Packets of food and chocolate had been received from the Automobile Association and bundles of clothing and chocolate from the "Daily Sketch" Relief Fund.

He read a letter from the M.P. for the division expressing sympathy with those who had suffered and saying he was sure the swift retribution by the R.A.F. in shooting down five of the raiders must have given the citizens some small measure of satisfaction.

Members of the Council stood in silent tribute to those who lost their lives in the raid.

CASABLANCA

ARTHUR LUCAN AT KING'S

"Casablanca," showing at the King's Theatre, Ramsgate, to-day (Tuesday) and to-morrow, was hailed as an outstanding success because it was so expertly produced, so convincingly acted and such a suitable blend of love and war.

Much of the action of the film takes place in La Medina, the mysterious vice-infested section of Casablanca. It is the Moorish part of the city and later became the refuge for underground leaders, political fugitives and escaped French, Czech and Polish army officers. It is with such refugees that the plot concerns itself. There is a flash-back to Paris just prior to the German occupation, telling of the love between Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman. Paul Henreid is cast as a prominent underground leader and the supporting cast is headed by Claude Rains, Conrad Veidt, Sydney Greenstreet and Peter Lorre.

From tense drama we turn, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday to broad comedy provided by Arthur Lucan and Kitty McShane in "Old Mother Riley Joins Up." The two great fun-makers are in their glory as they turn the British Army upside down with their antics. It is a feast of humour and a real cure for the blues. Known to millions on the stage and radio, Arthur Tracy, the prince of song, appears in the supporting film, "The Street Singer." A musical extravaganza, the film also features Arthur Riscoe and Hugh Wakefield, with sparkling comedy, Margaret Lockwood and Rawicz and Landauer, the famous pianists.

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A DAY WITH THE HOME GUARD

"PARATROOPS" IN ACTION

It looked like a peace-time outing—that long line of motor coaches moving comfortably through the country lanes, by the fields of growing corn, the cherry-laden orchards and all the summer greenery of East Kent.

But it was not a beano although the 200 and more men who rode in those vehicles did enjoy their day in the country. They were members of the 6th (Thanet) Batt., Kent Home Guard, who volunteered to take part in an extensive exercise organised to test their capabilities should the Germans ever attempt to invade our shores.

Quite recently they accounted well for themselves in a display at arms at Ramsgate and in this exercise they again proved their efficiency. It was not a spectacular show, nor was it intended to be. The chief motive was to practice the Home Guard motor transport units in embussing and debussing, the tactical movements of convoys, defence on the move and in "harbour" and cooking and administration in the field.

A similar convoy involving members of the 8th (Cinque Ports) Batt. set out from Dover and, en route, both convoys were attacked by military units posing as German paratroops who had acquired British uniforms.

The Attack.

For the purpose of the exercise it was assumed that at dawn the previous day heavy air attacks had been made by the enemy on Margate, Ramsgate, Deal and Dover, in which mustard gas was used. In conjunction with these attacks landings were effected between Ramsgate and Deal and the enemy had succeeded in establishing a bridge-head with a force of approximately two tank brigades and one infantry brigade. A similar landing had also been effected west of Hythe and parachute groups of 20 to 30 men dressed in British uniforms and with British weapons were dropped at various points in East Kent.

The job that the Home Guard had to carry out was to transport about 200 gas casualties from Thanet and a similar number from the Dover area to a base hospital well inland.

An ADVERTISER & ECHO reporter who travelled at the head of the convoy from Thanet writes:

Sunday is the day when most people enjoy a good "lie in" but none of the Home Guards seemed to mind the early start and they were all at the Quex Park rendezvous well on time and eager to start their adventure. One of them was there unofficially, He was a member of the Royal Air Force home on leave and Lieut.-Col. C. S. F. Witts, commanding officer of the battalion, who called the airman one of his "old boys," was surprised to see him wearing the Home Guard uniform. His brother was indisposed so he had come along to fill the breach. That shows the fine spirit of our Home Guards.

Speed and Efficiency.

The speed and efficiency with which the men started on their long roundabout journey was very satisfactory. We were well on the road soon after 8.30 and ready for anything. Nobody knew quite what to expect and, of course, the majority of the passengers couldn't do anything about it anyway, since they were "casualties," but the protecting force kept their eyes "skinned" for any suspicious movements.

The military seemed to have "melted" into the ground for, although we kept a sharp look-out from the head of the column, everything seemed perfectly peaceful. Then we went ahead a little to spy out the land, and lost sight of the convoy. Presently, pulling in by a grass verge, we waited for it to catch up and when after about 20 minutes it failed to appear we began to wonder if we, or they, had taken the wrong road. At last one of the buses came round a bend in the lane and we were astounded to find that an attack had been made on the rear of the column a few miles back. Yet there had been no sign of trouble.

From then we decided to remain with the convoy and, as we cruised through some of the most beautiful woods of East Kent, other Home Guards effectively concealed in the undergrowth sprang out to check up on us and, if necessary, give us warning of paratroops whose presence was suspected. Of course they didn't say much about that, otherwise the whole show would have been given away. In any case the Home Guards knew nothing about the ingenious trap which the military had laid for us further on.

Taken Unawares.

As we motored merrily on, thinking that perhaps the soldiers had after all decided on a Sunday nap, a crowd of them suddenly rushed out from behind a hedge and threw thunder flashes (representing grenades) in our path. The element of surprise was excellent and the whole column was taken completely unawares. It reflected great credit on the military but, at the same time, no blame on the Home Guard. Having stopped the convoy, the soldiers drew out a captured lorry from the yard of a public-house and formed a block to prevent the vehicles from proceeding. A similar obstacle was placed at the rear of the column to stop escape in that direction and thus the whole convoy was "wiped out," the attacking force suffering only a few casualties.

There followed an amusing incident. That part of the exercise having been duly completed, the Home Guards were allowed to continue on their journey—when the obstructing lorry had been removed. Unfortunately the sergeant, in his zeal, had taken the rotor arm from the engine and he was nowhere to be found. The soldiers at this point were "dead" and all but a few of the Home Guards gas casualties, but they had to forget the pretence for a few minutes and a crowd of them set to to push the heavy lorry back into the yard.

Bombed From the Air.

Up till now we had not been worried by aircraft but as we approached our destination several Whirlwinds came over to bomb us. With a roar they swept down from the skies and nearly took off the roofs of the buses. Apart from the absence of gunfire it all seemed very real.

On reaching the debussing point the Home Guards immediately made for cover for they were still being attacked from the air. None of them stopped to open the gate leading into the field but jumped it with surprising agility. They concealed themselves very well under the trees.

Shortly afterwards they had lunch with the Army and later the members of the two battalions—they had met at the debussing point—were inspected by Major-Gen. D. G. Johnson, V.C., C.B., D.S.O. and bar, M.C., accompanied by Col. H. S. Franklin, C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., Kent Zone Commander of the Home Guard.

Addressing the men, Major-Gen. Johnson said one of the things he liked most about their work was the team spirit they showed. Their turn-out had been grand and they had shown a high standard of soldierly bearing. "When and if the day comes for you to play your part," he said, "you will make a valuable contribution."

Royal Congratulations

RAMSGATE DIAMOND WEDDING

A telegram of congratulation from the King and Queen was received by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Evans, of 75 Addington-street, Ramsgate, when they celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans were married at Christ Church, Chiswick, on 9th June, 1883, and for many years Mr. Evans was employed as a millwright in a boot polish factory. When he retired about ten years ago they left Chiswick to live in Townley-street, Ramsgate. Unfortunately their home was destroyed in a raid—they were not in the building at the time—and they moved to a house opposite the ruins. Recently they have moved to Addington-street.

Both are very active for their years—Mr. Evans is 84 and his wife 79—and Mrs. Evans told the ADVERTISER & ECHO that she still feels as nimble as a young woman.

They have eight children and one of the sons, Mr. William Evans, is licensee of the Falstaff Inn. Mrs. Edgar, a daughter, lives next door to her parents.

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RAMSGATE

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Whist Drives held every evening at Ramsgate Working Men's Club, Chatham-place, at 7 p.m., in aid of the Red Cross Fund. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

National Savings.—National savings in Ramsgate for the week ended 5th June amounted to £3,892, comprising £2,899 deposited in the Post Office savings bank, £908 in savings certificates and £85 in defence bonds.

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Whist Drives every Thursday at 3 p.m., at the Gymnasium, Clarendon House, Ramsgate, in aid of Red Cross Fund and Mayor's Services Comforts Fund alternately. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

Miner Fined.—Summoned at St. Augustine's Sessions, Canterbury, on Wednesday, for being absent from his work at Chislet Colliery without reasonable cause on three specific dates in January and February, Idris Sussex, of Nixon-avenue, Ramsgate, was fined £6, with £1 11s. costs—in default one month's imprisonment.

BROADSTAIRS

C.E.M.A. Concert.—A recital is to be given by Tatiana Makushina (soprano), Sybil Eaton (violin) and Eric Thiman (organ) at St. Peter's Church at 7 o'clock this evening. A silver collection will be taken for the extension of C.E.M.A.'s work in music.

Comrades' Whist.—At the weekly whist drive held by the Broadstairs branch of the Royal Naval Old Comrades' Association at the Clarendon Hotel prizes were distributed by Mrs. Pointer to Mr. H. K. Pallant, Miss Jenkins, Mrs. Strathful, Miss Walby, Mrs. Lawrence and Mrs. Camson.

Wedding Bells.—When Miss Esther Brazil, daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. W. Brazil, of the Bungalow, Camden-road, St. Peter's, was married to Sig. Reginald Clark, R.A., of Swindon, the bells of St. Peter's Church rang out for a wedding for the first time in three years. The bride was attended by her sisters Matilda, Olive and Lillian and her cousin, Miss Sylvia Gill.

News of Son.—Mrs. R. E. Turrell, of 25 Beacon-road, St. Peter's, has received news that one of her two sons, both reported missing after the fall of Singapore, is now known to be a prisoner of war. He is Gnr. Robert Sidney Turrell, R.A., aged 21, who joined the Army when 15 and was drafted to the Far East in 1937. His 23-year-old brother Francis, also a gunner in the R.A., is still missing.

Funeral of Mrs. E. E. Fenwick.—The funeral took place at St. Peter's on Wednesday of Mrs. Ellen Elizabeth Fenwick, of 15 St. Peter's Park-road, Broadstairs, who died suddenly the previous Saturday at the age of 72. A member of the St. Peter's Good Companions, she was formerly associated with the Broadstairs branch of the Royal Naval Old Comrades' Association. The committal service was conducted by the Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith (priest-in-charge), and the mourners were Messrs. F. and C. Fenwick (sons), Mr. and Mrs. W. Fenwick (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. Pepperall (brother-in-law), Mrs. G. Ward (companion), Mrs. Scrivener, Mrs. Partridge and Mrs. Fagg.

DANGEROUS BEND

ARMY CAPTAIN KILLED

A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned by the Acting Coroner (Mr. J. H. Robinson) at an inquest at Margate on Monday on Capt. Howard Barrett Tanner, aged 36, who received fatal injuries when the motor cycle he was riding came into collision with an Army lorry between Stourmouth and Preston on Saturday afternoon.

Capt. John Whately-Smith, who was following Capt. Tanner, said that had the hedge on the inside of the bend been cut down to a reasonable height the accident would not have happened. The hedge on the other side, which did not matter, had been cut.

The Coroner said all three corners on the road at the spot were practically blind.

BACKBONE OF INDUSTRY

AWARDS TO THANET FARM WORKERS

Lord Cornwallis, chairman of the Kent War Agricultural Committee, in the presence of a large gathering of Land Girls at Herne Bay last week, handed Royal Agricultural Society certificates for long and faithful service to Richard W. Bax and John Beak, who for 49½ and 43 years respectively had been employed by Mr. R. T. Willett at Monkton Court, Thanet.

Lord Cornwallis said that men with such splendid records of service were the backbone of the industry.

The Land Girls gave the recipients an ovation.

CRICKET

POLICE BEAT ARTILLERY

Good work with both bat and ball by Honess played a big part in the defeat of the Royal Artillery by Ramsgate Police at Chatham House on Saturday.

Honess claimed 7 of the Artillery wickets for 37 runs and the side was dismissed for 51. Clark (10) and Webber (25 not out) saved a rout.

A sixth wicket partnership between Honess (26) and Page (27) enabled the Police to knock up 95 for the loss of 8 wickets.

Brigadier's Visit.—Brig. A. Johnson, Divisional Commander of the Salvation Army, visited the Minster Salvation Army Citadel last week and preached at all services.

DISOBEYED WARNING

SOLDIER KILLED IN EXERCISE

A soldier who, having once been warned, endeavoured to clear a stoppage in a Bren gun by kicking back the cocking handle, lost his life in a field exercise on Wednesday.

The soldier was Pte. Francis Parkinson, aged 28, a single man, and a verdict of "Accidental death" was returned by the Coroner (Mr. J. H. Robinson) at an inquest at Ramsgate police station on Friday.

The Coroner said he was satisfied that Parkinson would still have been alive had he heeded the warning.

Cpl. Bernard Hughes said that on Wednesday his company was engaged in field firing exercises and Parkinson was a member of the section of which witness was in charge. Parkinson was No. 2 of a Bren gun team, and about 2 p.m. Pte. Lewis, No. 1 on the gun, reported that it was jamming. Later he saw Parkinson kicking the cocking handle into the rear position. Witness warned him that it was wrong and told him to report to him after the exercise. The exercise continued and witness heard Pte. Lewis shout "Cpl. Hughes. Stop, Parkinson." Witness saw an accident had happened for Parkinson was lying on his back.

Shot Through the Head.

Pte. William Thomas James Lewis said when the gun jammed he reported it to Cpl. Hughes. When the cocking handle would not move, Parkinson kicked it back with his foot. He heard Cpl. Hughes tell Parkinson not to do it again. Witness carried on firing single rounds but when he received orders to change to automatic fire the gun jammed again. Witness was unable to pull back the cocking handle so Parkinson again tried to kick it back with his foot. The action did not go right back, slipped off Parkinson's boot and a round was fired. Parkinson was lying on the righthand side of the gun and when he kicked the cocking handle the barrel turned towards him. The round from the gun struck Parkinson in the head.

2nd-Lt. John Bernard Chubb, umpire and safety officer at the exercise, said when Cpl. Hughes called out "Cease fire" he ran across and saw Parkinson lying on the ground with a wound in his head. He communicated with his senior officer and the exercise was brought to an end.

Lt. Donald Arthur McDonald, R.A.M.C., who was present at the exercise with a medical unit, said death was due to a high velocity bullet which passed through Parkinson's head.

Returning his verdict, the Coroner said he was satisfied that Parkinson was warned by the corporal about kicking the gun and his disobedience of that warning was the direct cause of the accident. If he had heeded the corporal's warning he would have been alive that day.

GOODWIN—COUCHMAN

POLICE AUXILIARY WEDS

A newly-married couple left St. George's Church, Ramsgate, on Saturday—and drove straight into the stern arm of the law.

As they drove down Church-hill two police officers stopped their taxi and asked to see their identity cards. These they were unable to produce and out came two official notebooks. But nothing was written in them for the hold-up was just a joke.

The bride was a colleague of the officers—Miss Phoebe Alice Couchman, eldest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. P. Couchman, of 42 Muir-road, Ramsgate, who had just married Spr. Charles George Goodwin, Royal Engineers, only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin, of 4 Hardres-road, Ramsgate. For the past two and a half years the bride has been a member of the Women's Auxiliary Police Corps at Ramsgate.

Spr. Goodwin, a popular member of Ramsgate Oddfellows' Club, was formerly employed by Messrs. Grummant Bros., the builders.

Given away by her brother, Gnr. Raymond Couchman, R.A., the bride wore a dress of white crepe de chine, with a headdress of real flowers, and she carried a bouquet of pink roses. The three attendants were the bride's sister, Mrs. Frances Dyer (matron of honour), Audrey Foster and Shirley Hall, whose dresses were all of pale blue crepe de chine, trimmed with pink lace. Mrs. Dyer wore a headdress of pink lace and roses and the two little bridesmaids poke bonnets. All three attendants carried pink roses.

The service was conducted by the Rector of Holy Trinity (the Rev. A. H. Culmer), and Mr. Walter Hall was best man. As the couple left the church the hymn "O perfect love" was played on the chimes.

A reception followed at the home of the bride's parents and the honeymoon is being spent in the town.

MRS. MARGARET MATSON

PASSING OF LEGION PIONEER

We regret to record the death, which occurred at her home, 80 Grange-road, Ramsgate, on Friday, after a long illness patiently borne, of Mrs. Margaret Matson, wife of Mr. A. F. Matson.

Mrs. Matson, who was 60 years of age, assisted her husband in his house furnishing business.

Mrs. Matson will be remembered as an active committee member of the St. Lawrence Ward Conservative Association. She was treasurer of the thrift club, a member of the Central Council of the Isle of Thanet Conservative Association, and magazine secretary to the association.

Like her husband, Mrs. Matson was always a keen worker for the welfare of ex-servicemen's widows and dependents, under the wing of the British Legion. She was one of the founders of the women's section of the Ramsgate branch of the Legion, was its first chairman and held the office of vice-chairman until the section was suspended at the outbreak of war.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Matson leaves to mourn their loss a daughter and a son, serving in the forces as staff-sergeant in the R.A.O.C.

The funeral will take place at Ramsgate Cemetery on Thursday.

BLACK-OUT TO-DAY FROM 11.3 p.m. TILL 4.57 a.m.

Special Place Awards

TO RAMSGATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Children resident in Ramsgate, in the official evacuation area in Staffordshire and in other parts of the country figure in the list of special place awards to Chatham House School, Ramsgate, and Clarendon House County School for Girls.

Awards to Chatham House are as follows:

Ramsgate.

St. Lawrence—J. H. Adams, M. G. Cullen, P. H. Barrett, R. G. Philpott, D. G. H. Pointer, D. R. C. Saunders, R. R. Silverthorne.

Holy Trinity—P. Andrews, R. W. H. Hougham, E. E. Pulford, E. A. Yeo.

Dame Janet—F. E. D. Burrell, R. J. Groombridge, K. J. Nichols, P. J. L. Ashby, B. F. Simmons.

Christ Church—T. J. Dawes, E. H. Spickett, S. R. Harmes.

St. Luke's—G. F. Revell.

Hereson—P. J. Keen.

East Cliff School—M. Coveney.

Park House—B. W. Burt.

Over age awards: St. George's—R. C. Garner, R. Larkin; Hereson—C. D. Ball, B. C. Birch.

Minster.

Church of England—L. J. Smith.

Broadstairs.

Church of England—J. J. Hart.

Over age award: Church of England—A. P. Ellis.

Margate.

Garlinge—R. Dancer, E. J. Wratten, K. W. Rigden.

Salmestone—J. R. Brisley, P. I. D. Glass, A. W. Hall, J. S. Line, J. A. Lovitt, C. Taylor, R. J. Toole, R. Horn.

Drapers Mills—R. P. Doherty, M. Attwood.

St. John's Central—T. G. Lawes.

Over age award: Garlinge—P. A. Bichard.

Birchington.

Church of England—L. G. Brooks, A. E. Lewis.

Westgate.

Church of England—J. R. Beake, R. A. Scriven.

School not known—A. R. Bird.

Awards to Clarendon House have been made to:

Ramsgate.

P. G. Ashby, A. M. Austen, J. C. K. Bartlett, J. E. Bass, J. L. D. Belsey, J. Bromley, D. J. Brown, P. M. Challenger, P. J. Cock, G. F. Dove, J. Edwards, T. O. Garner, J. L. Gibbens, J. M. Hannaford, M. Lyons, J. Mills, J. C. L. Moar, W. M. Pitcher, E. I. Saitch, J. M. Sherrington, E. Sturgess, J. Walford, S. A. Walker, J. M. Wilks.

Margate.

S. Bottomley, P. J. Cocks, M. Denton, J. E. H. Enderby, S. A. Garratt, J. F. D. Gatehouse, A. D. Gill, E. E. Lewis, S. M. Luckhurst, J. M. Sayer, J. M. Scott, S. E. Smith, H. L. Waller; Westgate—P. J. Fright, F. A. Norris; Garlinge—M. E. Hughes, J. K. Sales.

Broadstairs.

D. M. Bax, J. S. Hassell, G. F. M. Holton, J. S. Mann, J. M. Markwell, P. M. Walker. Over age award—J. Elvery.

Sandwich.

W. A. Jerred.

MR. A. A. DUFF

OLD SOLDIER'S DEATH

The death occurred on Friday of Mr. A. A. Duff, who, until his retirement a few years ago, was employed by Ramsgate Corporation.

Joining a crack cavalry regiment as an under-age boy, Mr. Duff later transferred to the Royal Garrison Artillery, and served with the regiment for 21 years, spending the majority of his time abroad.

He could tell interesting stories of service life in many corners of the world and of his four children his elder daughter was born on the island of St. Helena, another in St. Lucia, in the West Indies, and his elder son in Mauritius. He also served in South Africa and on other stations.

On leaving the service Mr. Duff was employed by Margate, Broadstairs and Ramsgate Corporations. Mr. Duff lost his wife four years ago and he leaves two sons and two daughters.

The funeral on Monday was conducted by the Rev. F. H. V. Fordham, and the mourners were Mr. A. A. J. Duff (son), Mrs. Brockman and Mrs. Holbrook (daughters), Mr. Brockman and Mr. Holbrook (sons-in-law), Mrs. Duff (daughter-in-law) and Mrs. Paterson.

Wreaths included those from: John and Minnie; Emily, Len and boys; Edie, Will and Dorothy; Harold and Phyllis; Tom, Hilda and Peter; Mr. and Mrs. Brockman (Eltham); Mr. and Mrs. Redwood; Mr. and Mrs. Paterson, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers.

Mr. W. H. Maskell was the undertaker.

SUMMER LIMING FOR SWEETER LAND

With the great drive to increase lime supplies many new sources of supply are being brought into production. These additional supplies are not materials such as burnt lime and hydrate; indeed, the increasingly difficult labour position throughout the country puts a limit on the production of these types in spite of the available idle kiln capacity. So we farmers must be ready to take less quick lime from now on, since the continuous reduction in the number of skilled quarrymen and lime burners will not be made good during the war, for the forces need the young men who would normally be trained for this work.

In spite of less burnt lime, the loss has not only been made good, but the total quantity of all available types of lime has been much increased by exploiting dumps of by-product calcium carbonate and promoting increased production of ground calcium carbonate (ground limestone and ground chalk).

Many new ground limestone mills have been installed throughout the country, chiefly at sites where chippings and waste limestone from roadstone plants can be utilised. This does away with the necessity of obtaining additional quarrymen for hewing the stone. At some of these roadstone plants the waste small stone formerly dumped has been screened, resulting in a coarse grade of ground limestone known as limestone dust. This is a valuable addition to the country's supplies and for farms near the works it is a cheap form of lime for the land.

The by-product carbonate available at some factories also provides cheap lime for use locally, and the material can generally be quickly supplied—a great advantage in view of the time that must often elapse between the ordering and delivery of the reduced supplies of quick lime.

The great increase in carbonate of lime supplies of all types has brought with it certain difficulties. Men cannot be retained on civil work if they are not employed continuously. Every attempt must, therefore, be made to keep up a steady level of production throughout the year. Fortunately, carbonate of lime can be utilised in all seasons and does not deteriorate if stored on the farm, although fine ground materials should be given reasonable cover to prevent clogging in the drill later. To compensate farmers for taking lime outside the normal season, the Land Fertility Subsidy has been raised from 50 per cent. to 60 per cent. from 1st May to 31st August inclusive.

On Service

NEWS OF THANET MEN & WOMEN

Best in India

"Hello, everybody. How's it going back there in the most-bombed corner of Britain?" They are the opening words of a recent letter sent to his home, 3 Thanet-road, Broadstairs, by L/Cpl. Cyril A. Shepherd, serving with the India Corps of Signals. At the time of writing Cyril was spending a leave in the hills and having the time of his life.

"We have been on leave just a week," he says, "and what a week it has been. We have done nearly everything there is to do—horse-riding, tennis, golf, rowing and cycling, attending whist drives, dances and pictures and enjoying walks over the lovely hills and valleys. Every day we have eaten strawberries and cream and to look at my face you would think I had spent a week's holiday at sunny Broadstairs. We still have another week here before we spend the rest of our leave at another place. To sum the place up I can say it is the best spot I have been to in all India and I've been around."

Great Hospitality

Continuing the description of his pleasant experiences, L/Cpl. Shepherd says his host and hostess are very charming people, "in fact the hospitality of everyone here is great. The food is just like English and when you order mutton or beef you know you are not going to get a water buffalo or elephant, as is the case in the plains.

"There is a forces' club where we can play billiards, read or listen to the wireless and have refreshments. I shall certainly be sorry when my leave is over."

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In Jap Hands

Friends of Gnr. Albert G. Solly, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Solly, live at 23 Albert-street, Ramsgate, will be glad to know that, after being missing for 16 months, he is now known to be a prisoner of war. Gnr. Solly, whose wife and year-old daughter are in London, was employed by a local dentist some years ago before joining a shipping line as a steward. He enjoyed many trips to and from South Africa. Going overseas with the Royal Artillery, he saw service in the Far East before being captured when the Japs occupied Singapore.

Albert is one of five sons all serving in the forces. Robert, in the R.A.F., formerly worked as a clerk for a firm of timber merchants in Ramsgate, and Leslie, a sergeant in the R.A., was a postman in the town before joining the Army. Cpl. Edwin Solly, R.E.M.E., was employed in peace-time at the Star Garage, and Dennis, a private in the Royal Warwickshire Regiment, worked for a firm of blind-makers. Eileen, a sister, is married to Cpl. Bernard Ludford, R.A.S.C. Both Edwin and Leslie are serving in the Middle East and they met while fighting in Crete.

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African Heat

Pte. William R. Horlick, only son of Mrs. F. M. Horlick, of 1 Edith-road, Ramsgate, finds West Africa a boiling hot place and will be glad to get back to England for a "cooler." Proprietor of a Ramsgate hairdressing business, he joined the R.A.M.C. three years ago and sailed for West Africa last December, three months after getting married. He is now a medical orderly in a hospital and has been transferred from the malarial to the surgical ward, but does not find his duties quite so interesting as work in the field. William is an old boy of St. George's Central School.

You like to have news from your sons and daughters in the forces, so do we. We invite you to pass on their stories to us so that their friends may know how they are getting along.

Phoned His Brother

Formerly a Margate policeman, Tpr. James Upton, whose home is at 10 Chapel-place, Ramsgate, was engaged in the task of ferrying tanks and reinforcements to the front towards the end of the North African campaign. "When I arrived here," he says in a letter, "I spent a short time on the coast overlooking the Mediterranean. I learnt that my younger brother, Allan, was only 25 miles away and although I did not get the opportunity of seeing him I managed to have a chat with him on the phone and I certainly gave him a surprise.

"Since then I have travelled some distance by road and rail. My experience of the railways out here was a journey lasting nearly three days through mountains, valleys, gorges and rivers surpassing anything I have seen in Scotland or Wales. The population is primarily made up of Arabs, although we do meet a few French people occasionally. Insects are numerous and tortoises are plentiful near the river beds. There is an abundance of fruit and fresh eggs we can readily obtain from the Arabs for a few francs. At present we are camped in an olive grove close to the foot of a range of hills. Our meals consist mostly of tinned foods, of which there is a large variety."

Tpr. Upton is the first Margate policeman to go overseas on active service but one of his colleagues in the R.A.F. has been on operations as an observer.

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Greetings from Africa

Through the ADVERTISER & ECHO, L/Cpl. Richard Moses, of the Corps of Military Police, sends best wishes to all his friends in Ramsgate. For the past 12 months Richard, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Moses, of 13 St. Luke's-avenue, has been serving with the victorious Eighth Army and has written many cheerful letters to his wife, now living with her two children at Anstruther, Fifeshire. She is a sister of Sgt. Maurice Jetten, a Ramsgate Marine, who, as reported in our columns a fortnight ago, was one of only two survivors of two naval landing barges sunk off the Welsh coast during a fierce gale in April. Before joining the Army, L/Cpl. Moses, an old boy of Hereson School, was employed by Mr. W. Spain at Northwood Farm.

Sailor to Marry

Hundreds of local men serving abroad will have thrilling tales to tell after the war. Ldg.-Smn. Victor Gilham, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. Gilham, of 108 Southwood-road, Ramsgate, has already had one exciting story to tell about the part he took in the daring raid on the Lofoten Islands, off the Norwegian coast, early in 1941, and no doubt we shall one day learn of his experiences in combined operations during the North African fighting. In letters to his parents he doesn't say much about it but it would appear that he had a pretty tough time. Victor is still abroad but he hopes to be home in the very near future and the banns have already been put up for his marriage at Ilford.

Victor's brother Walter, who was a leading stoker on the destroyer Bedouin which was sunk in the Mediterranean, reports from Campo 52, Italy, that the Italians are treating him well and he is in good health. Spr. Reg Gilham, R.E., is in the Middle East, and Evelyn, a sister, is serving on the south coast with the W.R.N.S., which she entered three years ago. All were educated at Ellington School and Vic and Evelyn were employed in peace-time by Messrs. Vye and Son, the grocers. Their father is a Ramsgate postman.

Worse than Dunkirk

While taking part in the North African landings, Ldg.-Smn. Gilham met an old school chum, Cpl. Norman Greenstreet, who has been in the Army since 1940. Twenty-five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Greenstreet, of 148 Grange-road, Ramsgate, Norman formerly worked as a tractor driver on a local farm. After he and Victor parted apparently Norman ran into trouble and was hurt twice in the fighting. He spent a time in hospital and is still convalescing but is in high spirits, and in a letter says "Jerry had a good hiding out here—more than our boys did at Dunkirk."

Mr. and Mrs. Greenstreet have three other sons in the forces. Roy, aged 28, serving with the Royal Corps of Signals in Malta, has been in the Army for eight years, and Bernard, 21 a fortnight ago, joined the R.A.F. Regiment 12 months ago and is now a driver. L/Cpl. Henry Greenstreet, who is 22, was captured at Dunkirk while with The Buffs, and he writes from Stalag VIII B that he is now working as a cook at that prison camp. Of the two other brothers, George (18) is employed at Chislet Colliery and Peter (16) is working on a farm at Stafford, while Betty, their sister, is at a local laundry.

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Bradstonian's Promotion

Serving with a light anti-aircraft battery which was formed in Margate shortly after war broke out, George Pentlow, of Northdown-road, Broadstairs, has been promoted to the rank of bombardier. In peace-time he worked as a plasterer and for two and a half years has been with the Eighth Army. Bdr. Pentlow's father was a sergeant-major in the Royal Artillery in the last war.

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On M.T. in R.A.F. Regt.

Son of Mr. E. Bray, of 39 Picton-road, Ramsgate, Edgar Joseph Bray has now completed 15 months service in the R.A.F. Regiment. An old boy of Christ Church School, he is working in the eastern counties on motor transport and recently came home for a short leave. His two sisters, Gwendoline and Grace, who also went to Christ Church School, are both working in the same munitions factory in the Midlands.

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Overseas Football

Pte. Stan Pitcher, who played football for Birchington before the war, is continuing the sport in the Middle East. He writes to say that his team often have to travel long distances to play and when they arrive the pitch is often out of order and the match cancelled. A championship medal was recently presented to his company's team by a general making a tour of inspection. Employed in peace-time as an upholsterer, Pte. Pitcher joined the Supplementary Reserve as a tradesman and, at the outbreak of war, was one of the first to be called up. Sent to France, he was among the last to be evacuated, and he served in Iceland before going to the Middle East. Ron Pitcher, his brother, entered the Army some years before the war and has now reached the rank of staff quartermaster-sergeant.

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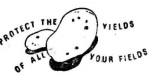
Unlucky for Hitler

The Russell family of Garlinge must surely top the bill for service to their country. No fewer than 13 members of this family—ten sons and daughters, two sons-in-law and a daughter-in-law—are in the forces or doing war work. They are the children of the late Mr. William Russell, of 127 High-street, Garlinge, five of them being by his first wife and the others by his second wife. Mrs. Alice Russell died in 1914 and Mr. Russell afterwards married her sister Edith. Of the sons, Cpl. Frederick Russell, Corps of Military Police, L/Cpl. Horace Russell, R.E., Gnr. Eric Russell, R.A., and C/S/M Harry Russell are serving abroad.

SAVE ALL PAPER
IT IS A MUNITION OF WAR



Protect Potatoes from Blight

The potato crop is the Nation's iron ration. Growers in the southern half of England and Wales are advised to spray susceptible varieties as an insurance against any loss of this vital food reserve. Such action is in the national interest.

KING EDWARD, UP TO DATE AND BRITISH QUEEN ARE THE VARIETIES THAT MOST NEED SPRAYING. IN A YEAR WHEN BLIGHT APPEARS EARLY ALL VARIETIES WILL BENEFIT

- ***Overhaul Your Potato Sprayer Now.*** Order your spraying materials, or ask your County Committee about contract spraying.
- ***Wet Spraying Is Best.*** Apply first spray just as plants are meeting between the rows or as soon as blight is reported in your district. Give a second spray in August. Bordeaux and Burgundy Mixtures are easily made with powdered or "snow" copper sulphate. Proprietary brands of potato spray that need only to be mixed with water are also available.
- ***Dry Dusting Is Used*** for large fields or where water is not easily available. It should be repeated every 10 days or fortnight. The dust is best applied late in the evening or very early in the morning when there is dew on the leaves.

In all districts earth up the rows well to protect the tubers from blight. Aim to make a well-pointed ridge to throw off rain

★ Write to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Lindum Hotel, St. Anne's-on-Sea, Lancs., for Growmore Leaflet 63, "Potato Blight on Farms."

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FOUR WAYS WITH SAUSAGES

Sausages have become an even greater standby for the household in war-time than in the piping days of peace. When the meat ration for the week is finished, most housewives plan for at least one sausage meal. It is good news therefore that both beef and pork sausages and sausage meat are to be made a really worth while food by the addition of soya and by the strict control of the fillings.

Housewives will find that the new sausages are firmer and meatier than many they have had recently. They will lend themselves admirably to the making of a substantial main meal dish. Here are some suggestions for using them.

Pembrokeshire Pudding.

(Enough for four)

½lb. sausages
½ onion finely chopped
1½lbs. boiled potatoes
A tablespoonful or two of milk
Pepper and salt
2 tablespoonsful grated cheese

Skin the sausages and mix with the finely chopped onion. Mash the boiled potatoes with the milk and season with salt and pepper. Spread a layer of potato in the bottom of a pie-dish and on this place a layer of the sausage and onion. Top with another layer of potato and sprinkle this with grated cheese. Bake in the oven till nicely browned.

Cabbage and Sausage Scramble.

(Enough for 4)

1½lbs. cabbage (shredded)
½lb. potatoes (thinly sliced)
2ozs. leek (chopped)
½lb. sausage meat
1½oz. cooking fat
½ pint water
1 teaspoon meat extract
Salt and pepper

Make the fat hot in the frying pan. Add the cabbage, potato and leek. Cook gently for 10 minutes, turning frequently, but do not brown. Add the sausage meat broken up into small pieces, seasoning, and meat extract dissolved in water. Cover the pan with a plate or saucepan lid, and simmer for 20-35 minutes. Stir occasionally to prevent sticking.

Meat Roll.

(Enough for 4)

½lb. sausage meat
½ teacup oatmeal
½ beef cube
About ¼ pint boiling water
½ small leek, or 1 onion chopped
1 dried egg reconstituted
Salt and pepper
Pinch of mixed herbs

Mix sausage meat and oatmeal, add beef cube dissolved in boiling water, add the leek or onion and the seasoning. To allow the oatmeal to swell, a little more water may be required. The mixture should be soft. Grease a small mould or teacup, pour in the reconstituted egg. Stand in a saucepan with a little boiling water, cover with a greased paper and steam for about 15 minutes. Allow to cool. Place a layer of the sausage meat mixture in the greased mould. Add the eggs cut in slices, then the remainder of the sausage mixture. Steam for 1½ hours. Turn out when cold.

Scotch Eggs (Using Dried Egg)

(Enough for 2)

½lb. sausage meat
1½ dried eggs reconstituted
A few breadcrumbs or a little oatmeal

Grease a small mould or teacup and pour in the reconstituted egg. Stand in a saucepan with a little boiling water, cover with a greased paper, and steam for 15 minutes. Allow the egg to cool and then cut it into 4 pieces. Pat out the sausage meat and roll round the pieces of egg. Roll in breadcrumbs or oatmeal. Bake in a moderate oven for about ½ hour.

Births, Engagements, Marriages and Deaths

The PREPAID charges for these announcements are 1d. per word (minimum: Births and Deaths 1/6, Engagements, Marriages, Return Thanks and In Memoriam 2/6).

BIRTHS

Pay.—5th June, at 59 Hereson-road, Ramsgate, the wife of William Charles Pay, Royal Navy, of a son.

Whittle.—30th May, at Norfolk, to Joan (née Leach), the wife of Ernest (Chub) Whittle, the gift of a son, Michael John.

Aubury.—11th June, at Denbury Nursing Home, Margate, to Hilary (née Brockman), wife of Norman F. C. Aubury, of Ramsgate, a son (John Francis Brockman).

MARRIAGES

Barford—Bonning.—12th June, at Holy Trinity Church, Aylesbury, by the Rev. Brian Hession, Capt. Lancelot Ingrey Barford, Beds and Herts Regiment, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Barford, of Bedford, to Violet Bernice Bonning, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Bonning, of Fairholme, Albion-road, Ramsgate.

Goodwin—Couchman.—12th June, at St. George's Church, Ramsgate, by the Rev. A. H. Culmer, Spr. Charles George Goodwin, R.E., only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin, of 4 Hardres-road, Ramsgate, to Phoebe Alice Couchman, eldest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. P. Couchman, of 42 Muir-road, Ramsgate.

Smith—Foot.—5th June, at St. Clement's Church, Boscombe, John Reginald Smith, of Tothill, Minster, to Peggy Thora Foot, of Bournemouth.

Northrop—Ingleton.—5th June, at St. Peter's-in-Thanet, by the Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith, Roy William Northrop to Elizabeth Dorothy Ingleton, both of East Northdown, Margate.

Clark—Brazil.—5th June, at St. Peter's Church, Thanet, by the Rev. Ronald D. d'E. Meredith, Reginald Clark, of Swindon, to Esther Brazil, of Reading Street, Broadstairs.

DEATHS

Danton.—9th June, at 13 St. Patrick's-road, Ramsgate, Mercy Eliza Danton, aged 78 years. Dearly loved.

Millis.—10th March, at his home in Brussels, Percy Augustine Millis, aged 83 years.

Johncock.—5th June, George Henry Johncock, of 5 Ismalia-cottages, Birchington, aged 68 years.

Duff.—11th June, at 27 Bush-avenue, Ramsgate, Alfred Alexander Duff, aged 71 years.

Matson.—11th June, at 80 Grange-road, Ramsgate, Margaret Matson passed peacefully away after a long and suffering illness patiently borne, aged 60.

Stokes.—4th June, Francis Harriet, widow of the late John Stokes, of Northwood, Ramsgate, passed away after much suffering, at 6 Telegraph-street, Stafford, aged 81 years.

IN MEMORIAM

Smith.—In ever-loving memory of our beloved son, John, who passed over in Port Chalmers, New Zealand, 13th June, 1922. We thank God for every remembrance of you.—Mother and Father.—Malakand, Walmsley-road, Broadstairs.

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